

Today's Advertisements.

A SEA TRIP.
TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!
AND
EVERY EVENING.
THE NEW AND COMMODIOUS STEAM LAUNCH
"KWONG LEE"

will leave PEDDER'S WHARF
at about 5.30 P.M. returning at 7.45, leaving at
8.45. Around the Island. PRICES to suit the
times \$1.00.
The "KWONG LEE"
will leave PEDDER'S WHARF at 7 A.M. on Sunday
the 18th for Macao return tickets \$3. Book
only at ROBINSON'S MUSIC ROOMS, Queen's
Road, as only a limited number of tickets will
be issued. Refreshments can be obtained on
board.

Owing to the crash on Sunday night, Mr.
Marks has made arrangements to run two
Launches every Sunday night.
SAM MARKS.
23, QUEEN'S ROAD.
To whom all business communications should
be addressed.
Hongkong, 12th July, 1897. [1055]

**UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS IN
THE COMPANY will be held in the HONGKONG
HOTEL, on THURSDAY, the 22nd instant, at
3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of
receiving a Report of the General Managers,
together with a Statement of Accounts.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 22nd inst.
inclusive.
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 14th July, 1897. [1083]

**THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).
THE Company's Steamship
"ESMERALDA,"
Captain G. A. Taylor, will be despatched for the
above Port on SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at
5 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric
Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th July, 1897. [1083]

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship
"HAIOONG,"
Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the
above Ports on SUNDAY, the 18th instant, at
5 P.M.
DOUGLAS LAFRANCE & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th July, 1897. [1083]

**THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR LONDON,
VIA STRAITS AND USUAL PORTS OF
CALL.**
(Taking Cargo at through rates for GLASGOW,
LIVERPOOL, CONTINENTAL PORTS,
RIVER PLATE, &c.)
THE Company's Steamship
"KAISOW,"
E. Warrall, Commander, will be despatched as
above on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, at
Noon.
For Freight, &c., apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th July, 1897. [1041]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR LONDON.
THE Company's Steamship
"RELAX,"
Captain E. Baker, will be despatched as above
on MONDAY, the 26th instant.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th July, 1897. [1084]

**THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**
**STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.**
(Through Bills of Lading issued for SATAVIA,
PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and
AMERICAN PORTS).
THE Steamship
"MIRZAPUR,"
Captain T. Wickenden, carrying Her Majesty's
Mails, will be despatched from this for BOM-
BAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 29th July,
at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the
above Ports. This Steamer connects at Bombay
with the S.S. "Calcutta" leaving that Port on
the 20th August for London direct.
Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
via Bombay.
Passes will be received at this Office until
5 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills
of Lading.
For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 15th July, 1897. [1084]

Intimations.
**DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.**
AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.
SODA WATER.
LEMONADE.
GINGER ALE.
SARSAPARILLA.
RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and
other Large Consumers.
Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [1392]

TO SUBSCRIBERS.
SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG
TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY
REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS
MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

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It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions,
Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong
Telegraph," and not to the Editor.
Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and
not to individual members of the staff.
Communications intended for publication must be accompanied
by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for
publication, but as evidence of good faith.
While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always
be open for the free discussion of questions of public interest,
it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way
hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.
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Advertisements are requested to forward all notices intended for
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day preceding the day of publication of the paper.
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fixed period will be continued until discontinued.
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English newspaper published in the Far East, and is therefore the
best medium for Advertisers. Terms and conditions on application.
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Hongkong.

**A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.**
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
**MANUFACTURERS
OF
AERATED
WATERS.**

OUR AERATED WATER FACTORY is fitted with
the best English Machinery, embodying the
latest improvements in the trade.

The Finest Ingredients only are used, and the
utmost Care and Cleanliness exercised in the
Manufacture throughout.

The Water used is proved by repeated
Analyses to be Absolutely Pure.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and
placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and
the full amount allowed for Packages and
Emplies when received in good order.

Counterfoil Order Books supplied on applica-
tion.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is
"DISPENSARY, HONGKONG."
And all sign'd messages addressed thus will
receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept
ready in Stock:-
**PURE AERATED WATER,
SODA WATER,
LEMONADE,
POTASH WATER,
SELTZER WATER,
LITHIA WATER,
SARSAPARILLA WATER,
TONICWATER,
GINGER ALE,
GINGERADE.**

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or
grey, or that appear to have been used for any
other purpose than that of containing Aerated
Waters, as such Bottles are never used again
by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 15th July, 1897. [1084]

DEATH.
At No. 4, Elliot Crescent, at noon to-day,
DELPHINA McLAREN, the much beloved
daughter of David E. and Mary McLaren Brown,
aged 22 months and 14 days. Funeral leaves
the house at 7 a.m. to-morrow, and will pass the
Monument at 7.45 a.m.

The Hongkong Telegraph
HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1897.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE NAVAL MANOEUVRES.
LONDON, July 13th.
The Naval Manoeuvres ended in a fiasco,
apparently owing to a misconception of the
instructions of the Admiralty.

THE RAID INQUIRY.
The South Africa Committee in its report
strongly censures Mr. Cecil Rhodes for orga-
nizing the raid; for deceiving Lord Rosemead,
and for concealing his designs from his co-direct-
ors of the Chartered South Africa Co., and the
Cape Cabinet. It refrains from suggesting any
proceedings against him or Mr. Beit, who is
also responsible. The Commission entirely
absolves the Colonial Office from any cog-
nizance of the raid.

THE POLICE SCANDAL.
ANOTHER INSPECTOR OFF DUTY!

Yet another has to be added to the list of
suspended police officers. The report was in
circulation at midday that another Inspector
was in trouble, and a call upon Captain May
confirmed the fact. The head of the Force stated
that Inspector Wiltchell had to-day been
suspended from duty by the Governor's orders
pending investigation into the matter of alleged
receipt of bribes from Chinese gamblers.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Indian mail is expected to-morrow.

FRANK BUTLER, the Glenbrook murderer, is to
be executed at Sydney to-morrow.

The Echo de China announces that M. Gerard,
French Minister to China, has been promoted to
the rank of Commander of the Legion of Honour.

Mr. F. S. A. BOURNE, who accompanied the
British Commercial Mission on its journey in
China, left by the Ravenna to-day bound for
London.

LI HUNG-CHANG having demurred, the sale of
Shanghai's big mill at Shanghai has fallen through,
but the small mill of 25,000 spindles has been
sold to an English syndicate for £1,500,000.

LAI TAK, a fisherman who was banished from
the Colony for 5 years on the 6th inst., was
changed to-day with retrospective effect to 12
months.

The match of a Chinaman, employed by the
Dairy Farm Co., at Telegraph Bay, Peki-fo-um,
was broken into last night by three ruffians, who
gagged the occupant and made off with a box.
No arrests have been made.

The German stowaway, Max Stolz, was brought
before Mr. Woodhouse to-day, and on the applica-
tion of the police was ordered to be kept in
custody till Tuesday, when he will be shipped
home by the German Consul.

CAPTAIN John Reynolds, of the Kaituma,
appeared at the Magistracy this morning,
charged with having taken kerosene oil on board
his vessel in a prohibited place. He admitted
the charge and was fined \$10.

"We have the best authority for stating that,
subject to audit, the Directors of the Hongkong
and Shanghai Bank intend to declare a dividend
of £1 1/2 per cent. for the last half-year; placing five pence
to the Reserve Fund, and carrying forward about
three pence.

We hear from Amoy that the plague is causing
great mortality in the native city and suburbs.
It is difficult to obtain accurate information
respecting the mortality, but there seems little
room to doubt that the disease is claiming
upwards of 20 victims daily.

Two miners and a woman, charged with
stealing \$643 from a friendly tradesman while
on board the steamer Lightning on a voyage
from Singapore to Hongkong, were brought up
on remand at the Magistracy this afternoon.
All three were dismissed on the ground of
insufficient evidence.

As the Medical Officer at Swatow reports that
plague has disappeared from the villages near
the port and that it is no longer epidemic, the
Sanitary Board has decided to ask the Colonial
Secretary to remove the present restrictions on
vessels from that port. There has been no
plague at the port itself since the beginning of
the year.

At the Magistracy to-day Mr. G. C. C. Master
informed the Police Magistrate that he had been
engaged to appear for Mr. Silbermann, of the
Globe Hotel, who was charged with adulterating
whisky. The case was to come on to-morrow,
but Mr. Master asked for a remand in order that
he might have an analysis made. His Worship
granted the request. The prosecutor is Dr. F.
W. Clarke, Medical Officer of Health.

At Penang on the 1st instant, several Chinese
vegetable planters were summoned before Mr.
Innes, the Police Magistrate, for employing
human excreta as manure in their gardens, close
to McAllister Road and Cantonment Road. The
Magistrate remarked that the public would
be glad to see that the Municipal
authorities were taking steps to abate this
dangerous nuisance. In this respect, he said,
Penang was ahead of Singapore. The defend-
ants were ordered to pay the cost of the prosecu-
tion, and were informed that, in future cases,
heavy fines would be inflicted. Good! With
us it is likewise in Hongkong.

The Hawaiian ship Helen Brewer which arrived
at Wharfedale on the 10th inst., with a cargo of
herpetine oil from New York made the passage
in 107 days, thus beating the record passage
made by the Strathgry, which arrived at
Shanghai two weeks previously, having been
128 days out.

DR. NIGHTINGALE, Health Officer of the port of
Bangkok, arrived here to-day by the Scottish-
Oriental liner Kong Beng. He is understood
to have come up to make enquiries regarding
the plague at Amoy and Swatow, and the cause
of vessels from those ports being quarantined
at Singapore.

The Royal Sovereign has hitherto been consid-
ered the fastest battle-ship in the British Navy,
but she must now give way for the Prince George.
Coming down from Arosa Bay the battle-ship
had orders to proceed under full power, with
natural draught, for 21 hours, and in the race
the Prince George got into Portsmouth one mile
a head of the Royal Sovereign.

As a fresh sign of the commercial advancement
of Shanghai, it is noteworthy that merchandise
is being discharged at the C. M. S. N. Co.'s
wharves at Yang-hai-ku, the German steamer
Puyang, from Japan, being the first steamer to
discharge cargo at that wharf. This (says the
Daily Press) is another fine wharf added to the
list of several which Mr. Osborne Middleton
superintended the erection of.

DR. FRIEDRICH W. F. Riehl, of 1521 St. Charles
street, Alameda, S. F., lately made a very suc-
cessful trial of his rubber-blanket life-saving
apparatus. His invention consists of a simple
cotton-lined rubber blanket, six feet square. By
wrapping his clothes in this blanket he made a
buoy able to keep a man's body from sinking.
Supported by his bundle, Doctor Riehl swam
four miles without fatigue. He believes that all
sailors should be provided with rubber blankets
instead of woolen ones.

ONE thousand dollars was the amount of a fine
inflicted on the Chinese steward of the steamer
Lyman by the Police Magistrate yesterday.
From the evidence it appears that Sergeant
Smith and a number of police officers searched
the linen room of the steamer and under the
false bottom of one of the lockers 972 tins
weight of Persian opium was found; hence the
appearance before Mr. Woodhouse and the
infliction of a penalty that will not soon be
forgotten.

The Kobe Chronicle has the following remarks
on the decision of the Magistrate to fine a man
double because he engaged a lawyer (Mr. Gedge)
to defend him. "It was Mr. Gedge's business
to appeal, not to the Press alone, but to a higher
court, for the verdict is outrageous. No wonder
the sapient stipendiary wished no remarks to be
made on the decision. No stupid bungler enjoys
being told about his blunders. The principle of
British law and of justice (not always synony-
mous) is that a man has a perfect right to
employ legal assistance, and ought not to be
punished specially for so doing."

NO MORE BOYCOTT! A telegram dated London
June 21st, published in the Victoria (B.C.) Times,
reads as follows:—Capt. Boycott is dead. He
was about 55 years of age and became famous
through being the first man subjected to the
"boycott" in Ireland. He was a land agent in
1881 in the Connamara section of the county of
Mayo, where he collected rents. The Captain
made a speech in which he urged the people of
Ireland to abstain from agrarian crimes and to
adopt instead the policy of sending harsh land-
lords, agents and bailiffs to "Covinstown," an old
term for boycotting. Events so shaped them-
selves that Captain Boycott was the first man
the British experimented on in this connection and
we now have the familiar word "boycott," as
the result of him being hoist with his own
petard.

The hand of a vandal has been at work in the
old Granary Basil Ground in Boston (U.S.),
where lie the ashes of the forefathers of the
country. Some reckless relic-hunter has desec-
rated the tombs of Paul Revere, John Hancock
and Governor Increase Sumner. The rascal in
each case chipped fragments from the tombs of
the heroes and patriots. The enormity of the
destruction cannot be measured. The mullion
is not upon the white shaft erected over the
grave of the revolutionary leader, Hancock,
who signed the Declaration of Independence.
Pieces were chipped from the time-worn and far
more priceless stone, from the antiquarian
standpoint, bearing the words, "Tomb of
Hancock," that had formerly been the only index
to the grave. At the Paul Revere tomb the relic-
hunters chipped from one corner, near the
granite base, a large piece of stone. The white
spot that tells the story of the mutilation is just
below the wreath hung on Memorial day.
Mutilation is just as plainly seen upon the tomb
of Increase Sumner, who was the grandfather
of Charles Sumner and third Governor of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

PRESIDENT McKinley has nominated General
Stewart L. Woodford, of New York, to be Minister
to Spain. General Woodford is 62 years old.
He was born in New York, and took his
degree in Columbia College in 1854. He was
admitted to the bar in 1857, and at once entered
politics. He was made Assistant District Attorney
in 1861, but resigned to become Lieutenant-
Colonel of the One Hundred and Twenty-
seventh Regiment of Volunteers. He rose to
be Colonel of the regiment, and afterward
to be Brigadier-General. He was a close
friend of General Grant. When the war closed
he again entered politics and was an active
campaign speaker. He was elected Lieut-
enant-Governor of New York in 1870. He
afterwards became a member of the House of
Representatives, but resigned to attend to his
law practice. He was an influential delegate in
the National Convention of 1876, and just before
Hayes was inaugurated was appointed by Presi-
dent Grant United States District Attorney to
succeed George Bliss. When President McKin-
ley was making up his Cabinet it was, says the
Pittsburgh Chronicle, believed for a time that Mr.
Woodford would be one of its members.

A PRIVATE cablegram received at San Francisco
on 13th July from Liverpool, dated June 9th, reports
that hope has been about abandoned in respect
of the fine four-masted ship Saratoga, then out
295 days from New York for Shanghai. The lives
of Captain J. Davidson and 34 men are despaired
of, and it is thought that all hands must have
gone down with their ship off the Horn or in a
typhoon near the Asiatic coast. The Saratoga
has been reinsured for 90 per cent. which
means that she has been practically given up
by the Marine Underwriters. The ship was one
of the finest four-masted craft afloat, and made
her first voyage in 1894. She was finished in
1893 at the shipyard of Russell & Co., of Glas-
gow, and was a big carrier of 2297 tons
register. Captain Davidson was known in San
Francisco, having visited that port in a number
of vessels. Some months ago the shipper wrote
from New York to a friend in Frisco that he
expected to be with him in December '97 or
perhaps sooner.

In the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme
Court to-day, before Mr. A. G. Wise, Fulne
Judge, Messrs Johnston, Stokes and Master sued
Messrs Grossman & Co. for \$338.50 for work
done and money expended as solicitors for the
defendants, for which signed detailed bills were
delivered to the defendants on the 10th March,
1897. Mr. H. L. Denny appeared for the
plaintiffs and Mr. J. F. Recco for the defendants.
The plaintiffs were engaged by the defendants
in a dispute with one Bornemann regarding some
trade marks and Mr. Denny was retained by
Bornemann. The case was not brought before
the Court as it was amicably settled, and then
Messrs Grossman refused to pay the costs and
said that the other party should have paid them.
Mr. Gedge, of the plaintiffs' firm, gave evidence
as to the negotiations and correspondence which
were going on between them and Mr. Denny.
The cross-examination of this witness occupied
the greater part of the afternoon and at 4.30 the
hearing was adjourned till to-morrow morning.

REGARDING the horseripping of Mr. Henry
Labouchere, lately reported in this paper, we
now learn that the assailant was the son of the
Rev. George Brooks, otherwise known as the
"Prince of Begging Letter-writers," whose
doings were exposed in the columns of Truth.
Brooks, who was formerly a Methodist parson,
is said to have obtained \$8,000 within five
years by sending begging letters to Cabinet
Ministers, Dukes, Archbishops, Directors of the
Bank of England, Generals, Admirals and, it is
said, to William Waldorf Astor. Brooks, who
has also been dubbed "Boony" Brooks, from the
fact that he succeeded in obtaining a grant of
£100 from the royal bounty fund, voted every
year by Parliament to enable the Queen to
assist deserving literary men and women,
brought a libel suit against Mr. Labouchere
which resulted in a verdict in December last in
favor of the editor, who is credited with having
spent about \$40,000 during recent years in
exposing frauds. The report is confirmed that
"Labby" only "remonstrated" with his
assailant and walked away with him.

It is strange that, in view of the amount of
shooting that goes on at the Kowloon Ranges
all the year round—by the Navy, Military and
Police—that the authorities should never have
awakened to the necessity of supplying some
sort of shelter for the men while engaged in rifle
practice. Most of the firing stations are situated
in the valleys and the light breeze which blows
during the summer months is effectively shut
off by the surrounding hills, while the sun shines
upon the Ranges with a power that must be felt
to be adequately appreciated. The case of the
bluejackets is particularly hard, as their straw
hats offer but a poor protection from the sun's
rays, and they are exposed the whole morning
with no other shade than that afforded by their
"coup-plats" hats. Firing parties from the
Undaunted are now being landed almost daily
at 7 a.m. and return to the ship about 3 p.m.
In rain or sunshine they have no shelter of any
sort while at the Ranges, and the only wonder is
that the men stand the exposure so well as they
do. Surely the authorities could afford to erect
a few open matchless near the firing stations.
They would cost nothing and be a great
boon to the officers and men.

The quantity of *Simulium* or sensitive plant to be
met with in Hongkong reminds us of a little
story which has long been current in Singapore
and generally finds its way to all new comers
shortly after their arrival there. A green hand
once arrived in the settlement, and having his
mind well stocked with stories of the wonders of
the Gorgonian Reef, was naturally on the lookout
for anything new and strange that might crop up.
One afternoon, while taking a stroll, he happened
to sit down to rest on a bank well covered with
Simulium, which, of course, promptly shrivelled up
at his touch. He shifted his seat and the same
thing was noticed. Full of wonder he resolved to
relate his new discovery to the Colonial Surgeon,
with whom he happened to be dining, and
accordingly did so over the after-dinner cigar,
explaining that since his advent in the East he
had discovered that his body possessed the
marvellous property of immediately withering
all verdure with which it came in contact. His
host, a confirmed practical joker, affected
to doubt his statement though perfectly aware of
the origin of it, and asked for ocular demon-
stration. The greenhorn, anxious for notoriety, was at
once conducted to the garden and introduced
to a fine healthy specimen of the prickly pear
cactus, upon which he promptly took a seat. Over
the subsequent proceedings and conversation we
modestly draw a veil. There are things which
are too sacred (and otherwise) even to be
hinted at in the columns of a well regulated
journal and are better imagined than
described. Suffice it to say, however, that
the "green-brown" arose a sadder and a wiser
man. We cannot vouch for the truth of the
story, as it is supposed to have happened in
the "good old days," before the dollar fell below
three shillings, and it seems strange that even a
raw hand should never have heard of *Simulium*
and should be so foolish enough to sit upon a
cactus of any sort. We have, however, told the
story as it reached us, and leave the G.P. to
draw their own conclusions.

REPORTS have reached the *Poochow Echo* of
two more natives having been seized and carried
off by tigers at Kullang (near Poochow) this
week, and it has no reason to doubt their
correctness. Besides the pit-traps which have
been set for some time, the services of the ex-
perts from Hok-cheong have now been obtained
to destroy the man-eaters. When that district
was overrun by these ravenous beasts three or
four years ago, these men cleared the locality
of them by the use of cage-traps, and they pro-
pose to adopt the same means at Kullang.

SOME cases which have recently come before
the Indian Courts furnish a commentary on Sir
W. Wedderburn's proposals for the extension of
greater administrative power to natives of India.
Malik Ahmad Khan, extra Assistant Com-
missioner of the Punjab, with full magisterial
powers, has been sentenced to three years' im-
prisonment for taking bribes, while one of his subordinates has been sentenced to a
year's imprisonment. Two minor native officials,
employed on the famine relief works in the
Central Provinces, have each been sentenced to
two years' rigorous imprisonment with a fine of
Rs 5,000 each for breach of trust as public
servants. Close supervision by British officers
alone prevents gross peculation on the relief
works. A large number of military officers have
consequently been employed to reinforce the
overworked civil staff.

THE San Francisco *Examiner* publishes a mass
of figures to show that the apparent balance of
trade against the United States is more imaginary
than real; that in twenty years the real balance
shown by the export of gold and silver was not
more than \$5,888,691. It comments as follows:—
It is thus evident that under the operation of
the Reciprocity Treaty we got \$170,144,808
worth of goods in exchange for \$62,587,346 in
trade and \$5,888,691 for the precious metals.
It will doubtless puzzle the holders of the
"balance of trade" theories to understand
what has become of the other \$79,688,764
that they have imagined in some way to be
"against us." There is no mystery
about it. That sum is the profit of the trade
to the United States, and for the most part to
California. It has gone to the business men
who deal in Hawaiian products; it is in part
the return for the investment of American
capital in the island; it is the tribute that
"dollar nation" pays to the creditor nation.
It is these millions that have built a fleet
to carry commerce, that are laying the
rails of the Valley Road, that are putting up the
Spreckels Building and other great structures in
this city—that have built up our commerce in a
thousand ways that cannot be traced. To cut
off this trade with Hawaii is to sweep away one-
fourth or one-fifth of the external commerce of
the port. California cannot afford a bit of folly
like that.

THE British ship *Mattiehorn*, out 114 days from
Hongkong, arrived at San Francisco on May
30th. Fifteen percent reinsurance was paid on
her in London shortly before she arrived. Her
long voyage was due to the fact that she came
by way of Australia instead of through the China
Sea. One death from small-pox was reported on
the voyage, and she was accordingly taken to
Angel Island to be quarantined.

It is remarkable that in the month of June en-
tirely not only wrought great havoc in India
but in Mexico as well. It appears from a press
message published in Filice and dated Mexico
City, 16th June, that between 10 and 12 p.m. of
the 15th June earthquake shocks were felt in
Mexico City and in all Southern Mexico from
Acapulco to Vera Cruz. They were especially
violent in the town of San Marcos, State of
Puebla, where the shocks were both vertical and
horizontal, and were accompanied by subterra-
nean rumblings. The movements were spasmodic,
and later, later, by another shock lasting to
seconds. Acapulco reports a shock both vertical
and horizontal, preceded by loud noises under-
ground. Curiously enough, the movement was
experienced across the whole country at about
the same time, the hour reported differing only
a few seconds. The town of Puebla, near the
city of Oaxaca, was suddenly inundated,
several persons being drowned.

THE following "Baboo" gem was received by
the Captain of the British ship *Loch Torridon*
at Calcutta lately. The Captain of the ship
Loch Torridon respected and honored Sir:—I
most respectfully and humbly beg to lay these
few lines before your Honor and beg it will be
kindly perused. I have repaired the boats and
shoes of your Honor's vessel's crew and the
seamen told me to appeal to your Honor for the
payment which is very small, and besides while
the party from whom I had to borrow money
to purchase leather, twine, etc., are about
summoning me to recover the money due, and
after me doing the work of your Honor's ves-
sel's crew, am I to suffer the penalty of the law,
by being sent to jail? Bigging your Honor will
pity me, a very poor man with a very large
family, who have to maintain from the small
gains I do make. I don't ask your Honor for
any payment for the repairs due to your Honor's
pal of shoes and I crave that the seamen shall
be paid, which is very small and for which act
of Charity, Generosity and Benevolence I and
family will ever Pray for Thousand fold Blessings
on your Honor and on your Honor's Most Dear
and Beloved Family and Parents, I beg to
remain, respected Sir, your most obedient servant,
So Moosun, Shoemaker and Repairer, &c.

It is all circles in Paris (political, social, and
artistic) a note of serious alarm was struck just
a month ago by the declared intentions of the
Parliamentary Committee now dealing with the
Bereget Bill in the Senate to restrict not only
the sale but the possession of certain classes of
literature and works of art. Everybody is in
favor of banishing from the public and some
certain articles now hawked and sold in them;
but it appears that the plan of the committee is
very draconian indeed, and will extend to know-
ledged works of art, such as are being exhibited
in the Louvre, and to literature which has
hitherto been looked on as classical. This would
bring the directors of the Public Museums and
of the National Library within the grip of the
statute. The constitutional among men of letters
and collectors in all the greater, inasmuch as it
seems certain that the law will be passed at a
very early date. So far no deputy has been
found with sufficient courage to take up the
matter and defend the "sacred principles" of
individual liberty. Two such highly respectable
papers as the *Journal des Debats* and the
Liberal have, however, entered a most earnest
protest against the excess of zeal on the part of
the Statute. The *Liberal* describes the proposed
law, which deals with the bare possession of
works alleged to be of a doubtful character. A
list of these has been drawn up by the framers
of the law, and includes over 100 *chefs d'œuvre*
by the most illustrious authors in France, and
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